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95TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 376, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to requiring health benefit plans to provide orally administered anticancer medications on a basis no less favorable than intravenously administered anticancer medications.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 376, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new
2 section, to be known as section 376.1257, to read as follows:

**376.1257. Each health benefit plan that is delivered, issued for
2 delivery, or renewed in this state that provides coverage for cancer
3 chemotherapy treatment shall provide coverage for a prescribed, orally
4 administered anticancer medication used to kill or slow the growth of
5 cancerous cells on a basis no less favorable than intravenously
6 administered or injected cancer medications that are covered under the
7 health benefit plan. As used in this section, the term "health benefit
8 plan" shall have the same meaning ascribed to it in section 376.1350.**

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